

## HOCKIN OUTCAST AMONG PRISONERS

Others Are Paired, but He Will Have Cell by Himself.

### PRISON TERMS BEGIN

Convicted Dynamiters Reach Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth on New Year's Day.

Leavenworth, Kan., January 1.—Frank M. Ryan, president of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers; Herbert S. Hockin, formerly secretary of the union, and thirty-one other labor leaders, convicted of conspiracy to dynamite buildings, today began the new year by entering the Federal prison to serve terms of from one year and one day to seven years.

The prisoners were paired with their companions for cell mates, with the exception of Hockin, who, it is charged, betrayed his fellow workers. When the prisoners were lined up Hockin always was alone. Ryan was paired with Michael J. Young, of Boston, and Philip A. Cooley, of New Orleans, while J. E. Munsey, of Salt Lake City, as his cell mate. They immediately were photographed, dressed in penitentiary clothes and formally enrolled as convicts.

As the prisoners stepped from the special train which brought them from Indianapolis they were taken in charge by the prison authorities. New Year's Day thus found the labor leaders beginning in the Federal penitentiary their punishment for their connection with the crimes for which the McNamara brothers, confessed dynamiters, are serving terms in the State prison at San Quentin, Cal.

### Hair Cut and Garbed.

The prisoners were taken by rail directly into the prison grounds. Their first view of the interior was from the windows of the train. Within an hour after arrival each prisoner had been subjected to a hair cut and garbed in the prison uniform.

On account of it being a holiday, the details of assigning the men to work was delayed until tomorrow. Most of the new prisoners are iron workers, and it is understood the warden is to put them on the construction of buildings. Twelvemore is the only one of the convicted men not affiliated with the Iron Workers' Union, and it is expected he will be given clerical work. Ryan may be given similar work, because of his age and his apparent feeble condition.

It was a memorable trip which brought the prisoners over the 570 miles from Indianapolis on New Year's Eve. Once started, United States Marshal Edward Schmidt decided not to reach Leavenworth before daylight, so that almost twenty hours were passed on the train.

Trains Closely Guarded.

The train was guarded at windows and doors as a rolling adjunct of the

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penitentiary, all the curtains being drawn and no one being permitted to give out any word as to the happenings within.

The trip across Indiana, Illinois, Missouri and into Kansas was to have been kept secret, but at every station crowds greeted the train as the "dynamiters' special," and cheers and singing at midnight showed the disposition of the prisoners toward a new year which for them was to begin with imprisonment.

At midnight, while passing Jefferson City, Mo., Marshal Schmidt passed around coffee, which was drunk from tin cups. Each prisoner was permitted at that time to write out New Year messages to members of his family.

Beyond that outburst of cheers it was a long, monotonous ride for the men, each of whom was required to sit through the night, facing an armed guard.

### Higgins Becomes Unconscious.

F. G. Higgins, Boston, former New England organizer for the Iron Workers' Union, became unconscious on the train and was placed in a physician's care. He is sentenced to serve two years.

When the prisoners were registered it was found that Ryan, aged fifty-eight years, was the oldest, and Fred Sherman, aged twenty-eight, is the youngest. Charles Wachmeister, Detroit, with eight children, has the largest family. He is sentenced to two years.

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### LAST PUBLIC RECEPTION

Citizens of All Classes Make Up Tremendous Throng at White House.

Washington, January 1.—President Taft's last New Year's reception at the White House attracted to-day one of the greatest crowds that ever has gathered at the executive mansion. The celebration, which fell weather brought out the general public in extraordinary numbers, and a new record for attendance of private citizens probably was established. Surrounded by his family, members of his Cabinet and a distinguished company, the President received officials and citizens of high and low degree, and when the last caller had been greeted Mr. Taft had shaken hands with more than 7,000 persons.

The reception began shortly before noon, members of the Cabinet and the diplomatic corps being received first. Next were the justices of the United States Court and other Federal Courts, United States ambassadors and ministers, Senators and Representatives, army and naval officers, a long line of other officials and members of military societies and other organizations. Then came the public.

The White House reception, always the New Year's Day feature in the Capital, preceded numerous other brilliant affairs. Secretary of State and Mrs. Knox entertained the members of the diplomatic corps at breakfast at the Pan-American building, nearly every foreign nation with embassy or legation here being represented.

Long before the time at which the chief executive of the nation was ready to shake hands with every citizen who cared to avail himself of the privilege, men, women and children stood in line from the front door of White House to the distant gate and far beyond toward the State, War and Navy buildings.

The rich and gorgeous uniforms of the foreign diplomats, the gold lace of the long line of American army and navy officers, and in the background the brilliant scarlet coats of the Marine Band were features in the moving picture of the day's greetings at the White House, with the colorful costumes of thousands of ordinary citizens.

The President and Mrs. Taft prepared at 11 o'clock to wish a happy New Year first to members of the Cabinet and their wives and to the diplomatic corps; those were followed by the members of the Supreme Court and the justices of the other courts here; then former Cabinet officers, ambassadors and ministers; next, members of Congress; then the army, navy and Marine Corps officers; after which came a long line of government officials, members of commissions, then members of the G. A. R. and a number of other military societies.

After all these had been greeted, the doors of the White House stood open to the humblest citizen in the land, and he, too, was assured of a hearty handshake and a smile.

President Taft will be the richer by the good wishes of thousands and thousands of his fellow-citizens for the year in which he and all the world have entered, and which will witness his return to pursuits of his own choosing. He was greeted, besides, by the representatives of many foreign countries, to whom the annual function is accorded the greatest admiration because of its extreme simplicity, and whose New Year greetings were couched in the complimentary phrases of the courts of the Old World.

A New Year Day reception at the White House differs but little from the one which preceded it, unless it has the thrill of the first which a new President holds or is preceded by the word "last." That brief adjective and day set a lot of people thinking and saying how pleasant the White House has been to those who frequented it the past four years, during which time the silver wedding anniversary of the President and the social debut of his only daughter were fetes of world-wide note. To-day the official reception, the last of their official receptions, which will be the honored guests. To-day's reception was surrounded by all the pomp and ceremony democratic tendencies permit. The Marine Band played in the corridor and each of the State parlors had a tasteful decoration of flowers on the mantels and tables.

### Early Preparations.

Things were astir early this morning within and without the President's home.

Mounted and other policemen were at the appointed stations along the walks adjacent to the various gates before 10 o'clock. Inside the house at that time these guardians of peace and order seemed to stand on the very same spots where attendants at last winter's receptions left them. Members of the Marine Band hurried into the building from many directions. Carriages and motor cars approached the north door, with Cabinet members and their wives or personal friends of the President's family who were to assist in the day's function, while a similar bustle was noticeable in the diplomatic reception and cloak rooms downstairs, where the foreigners began arriving shortly after 10:30 o'clock. From whatever direction they came the point of meeting for all was the main corridor upstairs. The diplomats passed through it over to the state dining-room, where, forming three sides of a hollow square, they made a line, the head of which stepped over the south threshold into the bedroom, there to await the signal to the presence of the Chief Executive in the blue room. Those invited to assist in the reception assembled in the blue room, and the Cabinet members and their wives took the elevator for the family apartments upstairs. It is an historical fact that the President's exchange of greetings with his cabinet in his apartments is a much less formal matter than that which is the scheduled overture to the formal opening of the reception after all reach the blue room downstairs. In this particular regard it is not of record that the custom is going to change because of to-day's happenings.

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U. S. N.; Dr. Cary Grayson, U. S. N.; Lieutenant Beverly C. Dunn, U. S. A.; Lieutenant Henry B. Claggett, U. S. A.; Lieutenant C. R. P. Rogers, U. S. N.; and Lieutenant Sterling, U. S. N., were the military and naval aids in attendance. Just before 11 o'clock they went upstairs and formed the escort which preceded the President and Mrs. Taft and the Cabinet and women to the blue room. The usual fanfare of bugles rang the parade to "The Star Spangled Banner," which heralded the arrival of the President in the corridor, and accompanied the procession to the spot of the reception which was in front of the windows of the blue room.

Hardly more than five or six minutes elapsed while the Cabinet and the receiving party paid their respects to the President and Mrs. Taft, and immediately thereafter the diplomatic reception opened.

Each ambassador or minister after having been presented to the President by the latter's military aid waited to present each member of his mission. These latter individuals or groups were presented to Mrs. Taft before the chief of mission paid his own respects to her. When the diplomatic corps had passed by, its members either loitered in the green room or east room or promenaded the corridor until the time approached for them to leave the White House for the Pan-American building to attend the diplomatic breakfast. Their hosts, the Secretary of State and Mrs. Knox, were therefore the first of the receiving party to leave the reception.

After the reception to the diplomats was concluded the chief justice and associate justices of the Supreme Court were received. All the members of the court were present.

Both the President and Mrs. Taft, while crossing the corridor to take their places in the blue room, bowed and smiled at every familiar face along their path.

Behind them walked the Secretary of State and Mrs. Knox, the Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. MacVegh, the Secretary of War and Mrs. Stimson, the Attorney-General and Mrs. Wickersham, the Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Meyer, the Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Fisher, the Secretary of Commerce and Labor and Mrs. Nagel, the Postmaster-General and Mrs. McQuinn, the Secretary of Agriculture and Mrs. Clegg, the Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Meyer, the Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Fisher, the Secretary of Commerce and Labor and Mrs. Nagel, the Postmaster-General and Mrs. McQuinn, the Secretary of Agriculture and Mrs. Clegg.

The small crowd of the late Vice-President Sherman was missed from this ceremonial procession, and also that of his wife, although the receiving line beside Mrs. Taft was composed of all the Cabinet women who have ordinarily taken part in the social life of the administration.

### CHURCH OF ASCENSION

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## HEALTH OFFICERS STUDY POTOMAC

Investigation of River Pollution Begins To-Day at Request of State Governors.

Starting from Washington this morning, health officers from the United States Hygienic Laboratory, and their consulting engineers, will begin a study of the pollution of the Potomac River, which study will rank in the judgment of sanitarians, as among the most important ever conducted in the United States.

This investigation has no connection with the study of the oyster rocks now being conducted by a joint commission representing Virginia and Maryland, and by experts of the Dairy and Food Division of the Federal Department of Agriculture. During the controversy over the oyster question, the lack of definite information regarding the general pollution of the Potomac became apparent to the health officers of the two States, and led to a movement for a thorough investigation of the subject.

Governor William H. Hoopes of Maryland, Governor Surgeon-General Blue, of the United States Public Health Service, to undertake a study which would show the extent and the nature of the general pollution of the Potomac. The two Governors argued played an important part in the health of both Commonwealths, and was of immense economic importance. Its contamination, they pointed out, if serious, might have disastrous effects.

In response to this request, General Blue authorized the investigation, and placed Dr. John F. Anderson, of the Hygienic Laboratory, in charge of the study. Dr. Anderson has been at work on the preliminary arrangements for some time, and now has his force ready to begin the study. It is understood that Dr. Anderson has procured the services of Professor William T. Sedgwick as general adviser in this work. Professor Sedgwick, who is generally regarded as one of America's leading sanitary engineers, will accompany the party, which leaves Washington to-day, and will make a general inspection of the river.

The precise method of the investigation has not yet been announced, but it is expected that it will include a survey of the drainage area of the Potomac and its tributaries, bacteriological analyses of water from every part of the river and careful studies of sewage disposed in towns and cities located along the stream.

The State Board of Health, which is much interested in the survey, regards it as of the first sanitary importance. It is an officer of the board yesterday said: "This investigation, which will be most thorough and scientific, is of the greatest value to Virginia. It will demonstrate how extensive is the pollution of the Potomac, and will make possible the control of sewage disposal in the State. Utilizing the Potomac, Virginia will certainly gain by this investigation."

### MERGER COMPLETE

Entire Business of Atlantic Life Insurance Company Transferred to Richmond. The final step in the merger of the South Atlantic Life Insurance Company of this city with the American National Life Insurance Company of Lynchburg, to become the Atlantic Life Insurance Company, was taken yesterday when the entire business of the consolidated concern was transferred to this city.

The merger was effective on October 1, the directors and stockholders of the two companies having sanctioned it early in September, but part of the business has been transferred from the former offices of the American National in Lynchburg since that date.

Edmund Stroudwick is president of the Atlantic Life; Wallace A. Taylor, vice-president; Charles C. Taylor, Jr., secretary; and Noyes M. Jordan, assistant secretary. The smallest closed has been the most prosperous in the history of either company.

The offices of the company will continue in the Mutual Building, additional space on the ninth floor having been engaged near the former offices of the South Atlantic.

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## How to Buy Office Tools

The buying of office tools is a far more serious proposition than the average business man is disposed to think, for there is an intimate relation between equipment and efficiency.

During the last five years the manufacturers of office equipment of all kinds have been extremely busy—a fact that becomes increasingly apparent as one looks through their catalogues—so that to-day the business man who is contemplating fitting up a new office, or the better equipment of an old one, has a wide range of offerings from which to make his selections.

It is not so much the idea that, in the selection of his office furniture the business man is apt to get something in itself inferior and unworthy, but rather that if he buys inadvertently he provides himself with appliances that do not correspond with his special needs.

In other words, the purchase of business furniture is a far more serious and important matter than the average business man is disposed to think. In the matter of office equipment the fit is the principal thing.

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### AMONG THE SPEEDERS

Driver Who Burned Up Franklin Street Nabbed by Officer Samuel.

After a futile pursuit out into the country, Motorcycle Officer C. E. Samuel laid in wait last night for an automobile driven by Roger Sullivan at excessive speed on Franklin Street, and gave pursuit. The automobile, however, continued into the country, and eventually to the Country Club of Virginia, where it was arrested yesterday on a warrant charging him with exceeding the speed limit on a highway on January 1. The motorcycle, which had No. 8 license, is listed in the name of Thomas H. Cooper, of Salem.

The body will be taken to Dublin tomorrow morning for interment.

John J. Puckett.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Lynchburg, Va., January 1.—John J. Puckett, aged ninety-four years, died this morning at 3 o'clock at his home at New Glasgow, Amherst County. Mr. Puckett was the father of W. P. Puckett, an employee of the Lynchburg Traction and Light Company.

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